

as workers in the next 10 leading manufacturing economies—contributing nearly 12 percent to our gross domestic product.

When we support American manufacturing, we not only help the bottom line, we support the American worker, and we create more American jobs. Equally as important is our ability to support our national defense and to sustain American infrastructure with American products.

We must go headlong into the fight to defend our Nation's economic and military security. We must rebuild our ailing industries and invest in our 21st century workforce.

There is not a one-size-fits-all solution, but we know the rules of supply and demand. We must tackle the issues head-on and fight tooth and nail to preserve American manufacturing and uphold every opportunity for Americans to have good paying jobs.

We are taking steps to right this ship and return America to a place of strength in manufacturing. Four "Make It in America" bills have already been signed into law to:

Close tax loopholes that encourage companies to ship jobs overseas.

Make it cheaper for U.S. companies to get the materials they need to manufacture goods.

Speed innovation by breaking the backlog of patents waiting for approval.

Unleash small business lending with \$12 billion in small business tax cuts and new tools to help American small businesses export goods and compete abroad.

The Made in America legislation has the potential to assist manufacturing businesses throughout southern West Virginia. In my congressional district, we have nearly 13,000 people employed in manufacturing at 208 facilities. In 2009, the average U.S. manufacturing worker earned \$70,666 annually, while the non-manufacturing worker earned \$57,993 annually.

A poll for the Alliance for American Manufacturing showed large majorities believe manufacturing is the most important industry for our economy and national security, and support action to revive it. Two-thirds of Democrats, Republicans and Independents reject the view that "high-tech" and "services" industries can replace manufacturing in a strong U.S. economy. And, more than 75-percent of Americans support a national manufacturing strategy to make sure that economic, tax, labor and trade policies work together to help support manufacturing in the U.S.

Although the economy and the job market are on the way to recovery, America's manufacturing continues to face challenges. A helping hand is needed to level the playing field against foreign competition.

I support H.R. 2378, The Currency Reform for Fair Trade Act, to help American manufacturers fight back when it's clear that countries like China are using unfair trade practices, like undervaluing and manipulating its currency in foreign exchange markets. This is an exploitive export subsidy used to gain an unfair advantage over U.S.-made goods in the global marketplace.

Building a future for America's next generation stands on the shoulders of all of us. We must work together as Americans to invest in our country's long term future and create high-paying jobs. "American-Made" is far more than a label it is the key to our long term economic prosperity.

## RECOGNIZING THE 99TH ANNIVERSARY OF TEN TEN DAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF TAIWAN

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 29, 2010*

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 99th anniversary of "Ten Ten Day" for the people of Taiwan. Ten Ten Day traces its roots to the Wuchang Uprising that occurred on October 10, 1911, and that signaled the end of the Qing Dynasty and the start of a democratic movement that we continue to celebrate today.

Ten Ten Day is a celebration of the end of tyranny for the Chinese people and the birth of democracy. It is significant to all freedom loving people throughout the world.

I want to especially recognize the people of Taiwan on this most important occasion. Taiwan has much to celebrate and it is a thriving economic force in Asia, due to its visionary leadership. I met with President Ma Ying-jeou and I commend his efforts to promote trade and improve relations between Taiwan and China. Guam is home to many people of Chinese and Taiwanese ancestry and our island continues to benefit from their cultural contributions to our community and the promotion of trade and economic opportunities.

I congratulate the people of Taiwan on the 99th anniversary of Ten Ten Day. We celebrate this historic occasion with them and we honor their friendship with the American people. We wish them many years of future prosperity and we thank them for their friendship.

## 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, POST 116

**HON. JOHN P. SARBANES**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 29, 2010*

Mr. SARBANES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 75th anniversary of the American Legion, Post 116, located in my district in Reisterstown, Maryland. The American Legion is the largest wartime veterans' service organization in Maryland with 147 active Legion Posts serving virtually every community throughout the state.

The Reisterstown American Legion Post 116 was formed in 1935 by a group of 13 charter members. The original members met at each others' homes, the local Masonic Temple and the firehouse to conduct the American Legion business before finding a permanent location at the Garrison Forest School in Owings Mills. In the early fifties, the Post was able to purchase their first home on Route 140 in Reisterstown, giving members their own facility for conducting Legion business. The Post remained there until 1986 when construction of Interstate 795 forced relocation to the present site about two miles from the first Post Home. The present location houses nearly 400 members and includes a Sons of the American Legion Squadron of about 75 members, an American Legion Auxiliary of about 100 members and an active Legion Riders organization.

Over the years, the Reisterstown American Legion Post 116 family has been active in

many community endeavors. Some of the Post's many community activities include giving assistance to the Reisterstown Recreation Council, awarding scholarships to students at Franklin High School, participating in the American Legion Boys State and the Auxiliary's Girls State programs, as well as taking part in the American Legion Oratorical Contest for high school students. In addition, the Post compiled a list of all known local veterans and donated this to the Baltimore County Library.

The Reisterstown American Legion Post 116 has contributed time and treasure to help many charitable organizations including, the Maryland Special Olympics, the Epilepsy Foundation, the United Cerebral Palsy Association, the Muscular Dystrophy Association, and organizations combating Multiple Sclerosis.

In 2010, the Reisterstown American Legion Post 116 was the winner of the Outstanding Newsletter Award, produced by editor and Past Post Commander Doug Lawrence. I would also like to congratulate the Post Officers for the 2010–2011 term as they celebrate the 75th Anniversary:

Commander Glenn "Thumper" Krout

1st Vice Commander Diane Hackney

2nd Vice Commander Bill Finch

Adjutant Len Gmeiner, Past Post Commander

Finance Officer Maurice "Moe" Morton, Past Detachment Commander, Sons of the American Legion

Sergeant at Arms Keith Hughes, Past Post Commander

Chaplain Bill Finch

Judge Advocate Mark H. Olanoff

Service Officer Diane Hackney

Historian Keith Hughes, Past Post Commander

Madam Speaker, I strongly commend the Reisterstown American Legion Post 116 as they celebrate their 75th Anniversary on November 6, 2010.

## GRANTING CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL TO JAPANESE AMERICAN BATTALION

SPEECH OF

**HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 23, 2010*

Mr. HONDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of S. 1055, a bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, United States Army, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II.

The United States will forever be indebted to the Japanese Americans soldiers of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, United States Army, for their bravery, valor, and dedication to the country.

Though many of their families were unjustly incarcerated in internment camps after the attack on Pearl Harbor, Japanese Americans still fought to prove their loyalty to the United States of America. More than 20,000 Japanese Americans enlisted in the U.S. Army, approximately 14,000 of whom served in the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. The Japanese American 442nd Regimental Combat Team, including the 100th Infantry Battalion, became the